

# The Hong Kong Telegram.

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## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### THE BALKAN CRISIS.

#### ALLIES UNITED.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 3. The semi-official "Mir" (Sofia) states that the naval demonstration proves that it is the desire of the Powers to subject the Balkan States to a humiliating tutelage but that would only fix their determination to stand together.

Turco-Bulgarian Frontier. Reuter learns that an agreement has been informally reached between the Powers and Bulgaria and Turkey regarding the Turco-Bulgarian frontier.

Pro-Balkan Demonstrations. A message from St. Petersburg states that the Duma debated the interpellation denouncing the behaviour of the police in the recent pro-Balkan demonstrations. A Nationalist in introducing the subject declared that the Government was ranging itself behind the Austrian triumphal car. The Minister for the Interior declared that the demonstrations in the streets were interrupting the traffic and must be suppressed. He promised that the police would be punished if the accusations were proved true.

The Austrian Squadron. The Austrian squadron is anchored off the coast between Ambrau and Dulegno.

Another Turkish Reverse. Reuter's correspondent at Constantine states that the Montenegrins have captured the Turkish positions at Tarabosh after a sanguinary fight. Two hundred picked bomb-throwers opened the attack, cutting the wire entanglement and all were killed. The Montenegrins had also 300 killed and wounded whilst fighting in the trenches.

Anglo-German Co-operation. Reuter's correspondent at Berlin reports that at a meeting of the Budget Committee in the Reichstag, Herr Bassermann, the National Liberal leader, welcomed the Anglo-German co-operation in the Balkans and the friendly tone of the recent speeches in the House of Commons. He concluded that Germany's attitude throughout the present crisis was a proof that Germany is pursuing, generally, a peaceful policy.

Difficulties Ahead. Herr von Jagow, the German Foreign Minister, has stated that he believed considerable difficulties awaited the Powers over the settlement of the Aegean Islands. Germany's policy would be directed to an adjustment which would not endanger Turkey's Asiatic possessions. He added that the Dardanelles question had not yet been broached by any Power, and declared, regarding the naval demonstration, the nothing could yet be said how matters would develop if Montenegro continued in her obstinacy.

LATE MR. MORGAN. THE KAISER'S TRIBUTE.

London, April 3. A telegram from Rome states that the remains of Mr. Pierpont Morgan have been entrained for Havre, where they will be embarked for New York. Four wreaths were placed on the coffin, including one from the Kaiser, who telegraphed to the widow, "I shall never forget him."

PUNISHING SUFFRAGETTES.

London, April 3. In the House of Commons on Wednesday the second reading of Mr. McKenna's Bill, giving the Home Secretary greater power to deal with militant suffragette offenders, was passed by 296 to 46 votes.

### MONGOLIAN QUESTION.

#### A CHINESE APPEAL.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 4

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg wires that a telegram from Urga says that President Yuan Shih-kai wrote to the Khutukta urging the Mongolians to renounce their independence and amicably arrange contentious questions, at the same time intimating his willingness to assume the Mongolian debts to Russia and the Tai Sing Bank and offering to recompense the Khutukta and all the Prince. He promised not to transform Khatka into a Chinese Province and not to permit Chinese colonisation, requiring as a sine qua non, however, that all negotiations on Russian and Mongolian affairs shall be conducted exclusively between China and the Mongolian Government.

The Khutukta replied that he shared the wish to avoid an armed conflict, but he would not sacrifice independence. If Yuan was disposed to friendly negotiations, he should send a peacefully-disposed plenipotentiary to Urga, where he would have to arrive without troops. Both Governments must, however, first recall their troops.

### MRS. PANKHURST.

#### PENAL SERVITUDE.

London, April 4. Mrs. Pankhurst was found guilty at Old Bailey of inciting to blow up Mr. Lloyd George's house, and was strongly recommended to mercy.

She was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

On the sentence being delivered, suffragettes present in Court indulged in cries of "Shame," shouting and singing the Mar-sialise.

The Judge threatened to imprison the women, and denounced their conduct as an indecent exhibition.

### THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

#### AMERICA TO RECOGNISE.

London, April 4. Reuter's correspondent at Washington wires that there are numerous indications that the Government has decided to recognise the Chinese Republic.

### OBITUARY.

#### VISCOUNT LLANDAFF.

London, April 3. The death is announced of Viscount Llandaff.

[The Viscountcy was created in 1895 and deceased (Henry Matthews) was the first holder of the title. He descended from the Welsh family of Mathew of Llandaff, another branch of which were formerly Earls of Llandaff, peers of Ireland. Deceased was born on January 13, 1828, being the oldest son of the Hon. Henry Matthews, former Judge of Ceylon. He was a Roman Catholic and a Conservative in politics. He held letters of the University of Paris, he obtained his B.A. and LL.B. degrees, with law scholarship, at the University of London, and later became Fellow of the University College, London, and Member of the Senate of the University of London. Subsequently he was called to the Bar, became Q.C. and Bencher of Lincoln's Inn in 1868. He formerly sat as M.P. for Dungarvan and E. Birmingham, and was Home Secretary from 1886 to 1892. There is no heir to the title, deceased being unmarried.]

### THE GRAND NATIONAL.

#### LATEST LONDON BETTING.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 3

The latest quotations for the Grand National Steeplechase, to be run to-morrow, at Liverpool, are: 100-14 Ballyhackett, 8-1 Cassey and Covercoat, 9-1 Highbridge, 100-8 Melamar, 100-8 Axe Pin, 100-7 Wavelet and 7-1 Thowlpin.

Probable Starters and Jockeys.

The probable starters and jockeys are:—Bloodstone (Llyall), Dysart (Butler), Trianon (O'Connor), Carey (Drake), Highbridge (Williams), Ballyhackett (Mr. Usher), Thowlpin (Isaac Morgan), Jamigata (Bartosch), Regent (J. Anthony), The Miner (Brabazon), Covercoat (Woodland), Melamar (Payne), Black Plum (R. Morgan), Axe Pin (Whitaker), Blowpipe (W. Smith), The Rejected IV (Cotton), Merrylegs (Trudgill), Fearless VII (Moodie), Wavelet (W. Scott), Foolhardy (Smythe), Tokay (Hopper), Festlar's Pride (F. Morgan), and Olga's Pride (—).

### COMPANY REPORTS.

Following are the balance sheets of the Union Insurance Company of Canton, Ltd., and the China Traders Insurance Company Ltd. The directors' reports appeared in yesterday's issue.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited.

WORKING ACCOUNT. On 3rd Decr. 1911.

To Nett Premium, \$3,354,462.01

To Interest, ..... 558,988.52

..... 4,213,450.53

By Cash with

Bankers on Cur-

rent and Deposit

Accounts.

Silver, ..... 799,408.82

Gold, ..... 1,477,021.11

By Investments in

Silver Securities.

3,142,133.32

By Investments in

Gold.

2,348,637.15.10

3,355,792.27

By Sundry Debts

including Branch

and Agency Bal-

ances.

29,011.93

By Losses and

Claims paid, ..... 2,098,256.49

2,362,392.93

By Bonus of 20 per

cent, paid to Con-

tributors, ..... 217,014.69

By Interim Divi-

idend of \$30 per

share, ..... 372,000.00

By Balance, ..... 962,012.91

..... 4,213,450.53

WORKING ACCOUNT. 1912.

On 31st Decr. 1912.

To Nett Premium, \$4,389,794.84

"Interest, ..... 529,613.66

..... 4,919,408.50

Balance Sheet.

1st DECEMBER 1912.

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To Capital 12,400

Shares of \$250

each—\$3,100

000 upon which

\$100 per Share

called and paid

up, ..... 1,340,000.00

To Reserve Fund

Silver, \$3,000,

000 ..... 4,058,446.62

To Remittance

Fund, \$204,208

8.0 ..... 1,985,245.18

### THE LIVERPOOL CUP.

#### WIN FOR SCOTS SAINT.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 3

The result of the Liverpool Spring Cup, run to-day is:

Scots Saint (W. Hurley) ... 1

Wilfred (Herbert) ... 2

Kempnough (Donoghue) ... 3

The winner started at 11-10 on,

7-1 Wilfred and 100-8 Kemp-

nough.

The winner won by three lengths, one length separating second and third. Nine ran.

Due de Dantzig was ridden by F. Bullock, Sydmonton by Scourse, and Gaerhur by Ledson.

Seaton Delaval, Willaura and Fantasia did not run.

### LOST HER BEARINGS.

#### AN AIRSHIP'S PLIGHT.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 3

A Zeppelin airship was flying over Lunéville, in France, when a mishap to her motor compelled her to land. There were three officers aboard.

Later.

The Zeppelin was a new vessel, and was making a circular trial trip with six officers on board prior to the Government acquiring her.

There was no mishap, but the vessels lost her bearings in the clouds and landed, the officers believing they were still in Germany. The officers were conducted to the Commandant of a fortress and the motors from the airship removed.

To Working account 1912, Balance, ..... 1,264,267.67

To Sundry Creditors, ..... 5,849.36

..... \$4,164,496.68

By Cash with Bankers on Current and Deposit Account,

Silver, ..... 545,828.87

Gold, ..... 1,329,280.75

By Investments in Silver Securities

By Investments in Gold Securities

including London Leasehold Property, ..... 27,494.20

By Sundry Debtors including Branch and Agency Balances,

Silver, ..... 22,436.04

Gold, ..... 14,168.16.0

..... 136,361.38

By Mortgages in Hongkong, ..... 245,

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SIRGFRID KOMOR.**OUR  
CONTEMPORARIES.**

## Daily Press.

The Situation in Japan. It will be remembered that the particular proposal out of which the recent political crisis arose was one to add two Divisions to the present garrison in Korea. The public saw no necessity for this and raised an outcry against the step as being certain to provoke alarm on the other side of frontier and lead to a situation which would necessitate heavy additional appropriations for the Army. Count Yamamoto, the head of the new Government, has definitely promised in the Diet that these army divisions shall not be created in the ensuing financial year, though he took the precaution to point out that national defence programmes are necessarily governed by the state of international relations, and are liable to change. So far as the Navy is concerned, the new Cabinet has pledged itself to carry out the scheme of expansion adopted by the Katsura Government which regarded it as an "urgent necessity." Count Yamamoto is reported to have stated that "the authorities expect that the total expenditure would amount to 350,000,000 yen." Only six million, however, is voted for the ensuing year. Until the nations of the world come to some understanding whereby what Mr. Churchill recently called "the evil and insidious folly" of increasing armaments can be checked, Japan is compelled to follow the European lead in order to maintain her position as a naval Power, and the question which is troubling many Japanese bondholders is: Can Japan stand the strain? It is precisely this consideration, we believe, more than any other which is responsible for what the Times calls "the decline of enthusiasm" for Japanese securities.

## China Mail.

Improvement in Aeroplanes. A matter of great importance is the question of variation of speed in the air. High speed is undoubtedly valuable in all means of progression, but it is a great advantage to be able to fly slowly also, both for observation and landing, and therefore a good range is essential. Various means have been proposed for this, one being to vary the amount of supporting surface in the air. The experience of the B.E. type and others show, however, that a considerable range can be obtained with fixed surface and without any great corresponding disadvantages. All that is necessary is to give the machine enough surface to fly at the minimum speed required, and then to increase the power to get the required maximum. Thus the B.E. flies at 40 miles per hour, with 23 net effective horse power, while the engine is capable of developing 60 horse power, which gives a speed of 70 miles per hour.

## South China Morning Post.

Piracy in Hongkong Waters. The fact that between fifty and sixty men of the said Tai-Pan were possessed of firearms gave rise to other serious reflections. To our mind it proves again that Hongkong has become a refuge of savage hordes who have been driven from their happy hunting grounds beyond the border. The presence of pirates and brigandage has been one of the chief aims of the republican government and its methods have been operated with marked success for some months in the neighbouring province. Therefore, not only is the water front well worth watching in respect of bad characters and the importation of weapons, but the New Territories (with its long stretch of frontier line and necessary roads) are ready means of access for raiders. We trust the investigation of the Tai-Pan affair will result in the adoption of strenuous measures to clear the colony and to rid it of a real public danger.

## Mitsubishi Company.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

Crowded Singapore Hotels. The number of visitors in Singapore last week may be gauged from the fact that all the hotels were taxed to the limit of their accommodation, and that passengers arriving by the Monrovia service had to live aboard the vessel.

**Yokohama Census Returns.** A census of the population of Yokohama shows that at the end of last year it numbered 455,212 (representing 89,931 households), showing an increase of over 11,000 as compared with the previous year. The number of foreign residents (including Chinese) is given as 8,205.

**An Anonymous Benefactor.** A benefactor whose name for the present is not to be disclosed has promised to defray the cost of erecting a new pathological block and institute of hygiene in connection with the medical school of Middlesex Hospital. His scheme will entail an expenditure of at least £10,000.

**A Relic of Nelson's days.** An enormous quantity of gunpowder and other naval stores has been discovered in a cave near Cape della Testa. It is believed that these stores were placed there over a century ago by Lord Nelson, when his fleet was cruising off the Sicilian coast and watching the French fleet sheltered in Toulon.

**For Radium Development.** It is announced that in the event of the failure of the negotiations now proceeding for the radium development syndicate to take over the historic baths of Bath, the city will undertake an independent development scheme so that the most may be made of the recently discovered radioactive properties of the mineral waters.

## Breach of trust charge at Singapore.

In the Singapore police court, on the 25th ult., mention was made of the case in which Gustav Siemers, the Secretary of the Hotel van Wijk Co., Ltd., is charged with criminal breach of trust in respect of a sum at present stated to be \$168,544. Inspector Frayne asked for a week's postponement and accused was remanded in custody, bail of \$3,000 not being forthcoming.

**No murderous intention.** In the case of a young man named Wilcox, who, as was reported in the "Telegraph" last week, was picked up dying outside the Bristol Grill, at Calcutta, the evidence given at the inquest showed that death was the result of a blow given by another European shop assistant. It appears that Wilcox provoked the latter by assaulting him first. The police are not taking the matter further as there was no intention to cause death.

**A Hindu Superstition.** A curious incident occurred at Jhelum recently in connection with the visitation of plague in that city. The Hindu citizens took a black bull, and after smearing it with red ochre and oil drove it out of the town and then turned it loose. A large concourse of people followed the animal, shouting at the top of their voices and beating tom-toms. This, says a correspondent, is a Hindu way of averting calamity.

**Presentation to Mrs. Taft.** The Washington friends of Mrs. Taft, wife of President Taft, in the national capital, propose to present a handsome gift to her before her leave-taking of the White House. It will be a diamond necklace, and its cost will be £2,000. It was the desire of Mrs. Taft's friends (states the "New York Herald") that this gift should become known to no one except themselves, last of all Mrs. Taft, before it is presented to her, but the secret would not keep.

**An Opium Prophecy.** A letter in regard to the opium trade in China was recently received by a missionary in Shanghai from the Rev. A. R. Stauder, a missionary on furlough in Scotland, in which he says: "I am just now engaged in an effort to secure in my city an expression of the public opinion in regard to the opium trade, and it promises success. I believe that China will be relieved from all treaty obligations in regard to the opium trade, and will be quite free to carry out total prohibition at once."

## SERVICE MATTERS.

**Captain H. G. Sergeant.** Capt. H. G. Sergeant, for some years in Hongkong in charge of the Volunteers, is appointed an instructor of gunnery (second class).

## Lieut Col. Burr.

Among present visitors to Singapore is a well-known figure in the Far East, Lieut-Colonel Kerr, who, with his daughter, is spending a few days there prior to returning to Japan.

**New Magazine Rifle.** A service paper announces that a new magazine rifle is to be at once issued for trial to selected infantry regiments, and a special course of instruction in connection therewith will be held at the School of Musketry, Hythe.

## Next Trooping Season.

The 2nd Bn. Gloucestershire Regiment, from Malta, is to relieve the 2nd Bn. Somerset Light Infantry, at Tientsin. Two transports are to visit Hongkong during the trooping season from home. The first will leave Southampton early in September and will probably convey annual reliefs and the Gloucesters to Ching-wang-tan, for Tientsin. The second leaves early in October with reliefs and drafts for Ceylon, Singapore and Hongkong. The foregoing details from Tientsin will, it is expected, tranship from the first to the second transport at Hongkong, the former continuing her voyage to India with the 2nd Bn. Somerset Light Infantry.

## Royal Dockyard Engineers.

A decision has been come to by the Admiralty that in future electrical engineers serving in the Royal Dockyards are to be borne on the establishment, the following pensionable scales of salary being submitted for the non-pensionable salaries now payable:

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## India and Imperial Defence.

I am told, writes the London Correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, that great annoyance is being caused in India by the reports which persistently appear in some of the conservative newspapers here that the native rulers have decided to present a number of Dreadnaughts to the navy. The fact that the genuineness of these reports has been authoritatively denied seems to have no deterrent effect. The reports have now, however, led to a spirited protest by leading Europeans, who are indignant at the manner in which it is sought to extract from India a larger contribution towards Imperial defence. The fact that these attempts are made at a time when a commission is actually considering whether the military burden of India cannot be reduced is cited as an instance of the extent to which Indian questions are understood in the quarters concerned.

A comparison is drawn between the conditions in which the Federated Malay States have given a Dreadnaught and those which obtain in India. In the Malay States there is an abounding prosperity, a large surplus of revenue over expenditure, and no public debt. The States have hitherto contributed nothing towards the cost of Imperial defence, and the only military force they maintain is a small body of 856 Sikhs and Pathans. The Indian Government, on the contrary, expends nearly one-fourth of the country's revenue on purposes of defence, and, in addition, the Indian princes maintain a fine body of troops who are available for service wherever wanted.

These have already been employed on Imperial missions in China, South Africa, East Africa, and Somaliland. It will thus be seen that the taunt of irresponsiveness on the part of India to the Imperial call is both fallacious and mischievous. It is pointed out, moreover, that the opium question in which one of her chief sources of revenue will largely disappear, and her anxiety therefore is how to avoid rather than incur additional burdens.

Bishop at the Plough. The Bishop of Barking, speaking at the annual dinner of the Ilford Farmers' Association, said he had been referred to as the "Episcopal Ploughman." At their ploughing match he was induced by his friends to have his photograph taken, and he overheard one clever man remark: "He ain't no ploughman; he's got his legs crossed." The only answer he could make was that he was resting after his great labours.

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## BIRTHS.

BELL.—On March 28, 1913, the wife of F. Hayley Bell, of Shanghai, of a daughter.

LEGGE.—On March 26, at Kowloon Estate Mansions, to Mr. and Mrs.

C. A. Legge, a daughter.

EDMETT.—On March 27, at River Valley Road, Singapore, the wife of L. R. Edmett, of a son.

## MARRIAGE.

BROWNIE—CALDER.—At the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, on March 22, by the Rev. W. Runciman, M. B. Brownie's youngest son of J. Brownie, Mattock & Fludger, Kinardine, N.B., to Beatrice C. Calder, of Fremantle, W.A.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1913.

## THE PIRATE OUTRAGE.

It is easy to be wise after the event, and it is easy to distribute blame and responsibility broadcast for any public or private calamity. To-day everyone in this Colony is filled with indignation at what has happened on the Tai On, and police, naval authorities, Chinese in general and pirates in particular, are all being told very emphatically the way wherein they should not walk. In face of the difficulties attending the daily work of the European police of Hongkong, and of the patient and courageous fashion in which they carry out their task, it is atrociously unfair to charge them wholesale and indiscriminately with want of proper vigilance. Equally absurd is it to cast up even a whisper of condemnation against the three Britishers who officiated the ill-starred vessel.

Considering Hongkong's nearness to China, considering that from time immemorial, piracy has been a recognised institution in this part of the world, and bearing in mind the fact that, in the present state of politics, China can but ill control far less crafty and perfidious offenders than the pirates, it is fair to own outright that such outrages as the one under discussion are surprisingly scarce. For the honour of our race and flag we are anxious to see them rendered scarcer still; and it should be Hongkong's firm resolution to prevent the recurrence of such an insult to British authority. If we do not blame the police as individuals, we may yet feel very strongly that there is something decidedly wrong with a system that allows ruffians of the type of the Tai On pirates to enter the Colony, and to leave it again in the guise of respectable passengers. We have always maintained, and shall continue to do so, that nothing like a sufficient check is kept on the immigration of persons from Canton. At the present moment our colony is swarming with every kind of criminal, beggar and cripple, not three per cent. of whom are British subjects. Practically, these come and go at will. Until, therefore, more careful surveillance is observed over strangers entering this port from Canton, we need never be astonished to find that British law here is set at nought.

The police may at present reasonably plead that they have no time to search for undesirables on the boats leaving here, because passengers are crowding on board up till the moment of steaming. But surely that is a matter easily remedied. What sort of law is it that cannot determine the time at which a boat shall start, or the hour at which passengers shall be aboard? If a Canton boat is timed to leave here at 9 a.m. or p.m., what is there to prevent an enactment forbidding the skipper to admit any Chinese on board after 8.30? That would give the police a clear half hour in which to make search and enquiry. One thing more. Since we are all agreed that law and order are not yet established in Chinese territory and waters, is it wise for the naval authorities to neglect to keep a couple of river gunboats between here and Canton? How long China may take to right herself it is impossible to say; but, till that happy consummation, it is the duty of the British to help her to do what she cannot do for herself, especially in cases like the present one, wherein British lives and property are in danger.

## The Absent Gunboats.

Is it a mere accident that the piratical attack on the "Tai On" was coincident with the presence in Hongkong Harbour of the patrol gunboats Sandpiper and Robin? Or were the pirates basing their hopes of getting clear away on that very fact? One may fairly assume that they were, from the circumstances that they were bold enough, having run the vessel on a sand bank, to fire rockets to summon tugs in which they were conveyed ashore. Had a patrol boat been in the vicinity, it would have been attracted by these rockets, and no doubt the pirates based their calculations on the knowledge that two gunboats were safe in Hongkong. By the way, a statement in yesterday's issue to the effect that the robber shot during the affair at Ping Shan was a Chinese commission officer, is not without some interest at the moment. The new Government, in all fairness, is doing its best to put down piracy and armed robbery, but if its own officers cannot be trusted or kept in check, it has evidently a serious task to face.

## Carelessness—or Worse?

Touching the Ping Shan affair, we are informed that the policeman who was shot in the leg during the fight with the robbers was seen, the following evening, limping up Pedder Street, and wearing only one boot. Evidently he had come all the way—most of it by train of course—without help. At any rate he was making his way alone to the hospital in Hongkong. If this is true—and it comes from a fairly good source—it points to carelessness or mismanagement somewhere. It may have been his own fault, or the fault of his comrades in Ping Shan, for anything we know, but someone appears to have been guilty of almost heartless carelessness. One would have expected to find the ambulance in readiness for him here, or at least to hear that he was met by someone. It would be interesting to learn just why he was left to make his way without help of any kind.

## Dark Days.

From the latest telegrams to hand it is apparent that we are on the eve of grave developments in the Balkan trouble. Were this not so, the Powers would surely not go the length of intervening by way of a joint naval demonstration against one of the Allies. In a measure one can sympathise with Montenegro. She has made big sacrifices in men and money, sacrificed altogether out of proportion to the reward—which the Powers have decided she is to reap. But the fact cannot be lost sight of that, in agreeing to mediation by the Powers, she is bound to their decisions, however distasteful they may be. The ugly factors in the situation are that the other Allies appear determined to stand by Montenegro and that Russia is reluctant to acquiesce in the coercion of the Slavs. What the upshot will be no-one knows, but it is clear that an acute stage in the crisis has been reached, and that it will take all the resources of diplomacy to avert a terrible European embroilment. We can only hope for the best, but the sky is black and lowering.

## Picturesqueness and Sanitation.

Why cannot the picturesque and the hygienic co-exist? Apparently they cannot in Cornwall for, as we stated the other day, the villages which artistic visitors to that county most love to sketch or to admire, are those where disease is most prevalent. Nor is this a new discovery, for Charles Kingsley pointed out the same melancholy fact some sixty years ago, as regards Cornwall, Hampshire, and Berkshire. And what of our cathedral cities? The majestic funes, before whose beauty men bow their heads, are over-run with rats, the precincts are ill-drained, and the fabric is often tottering. An exception that occurs to us, wherein beauty and healthy surroundings are combined, is the city of London. From the Tower to the Law Courts and from London Bridge to the G.P.O., there is surely as fine an array of ancient and picturesque buildings as one could wish to see. Yet where can one find more thorough sanitation, or purer water? With this fact in our minds we refuse to believe that it is necessary to sacrifice beauty on the altar of sanitation.

## DAY BY DAY.

The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well, and doing well whatever you do without thought of fame.

## The Mails.

American Mail.—Closes per s.s. Nippon Maru at 4 p.m. to-morrow.

Canadian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Empress of India at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Empress of India at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

German Mail.—The German Mail of the 4th March was delivered in London on April 3.

## Departed.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Sorenson were among the passengers who left for Home by the s.s. Luetzow.

Visitor from Manila.

Junk master Fined.

At the Marine Court this morning before Commander Basil Taylor, R. N., P.S. Cashman charged the Master of a licensed trading junk, with failing to report his arrival at Stanley to the Harbour Master's office there. The defendant was fined \$2.

## Fire in Caine Road.

A small fire was reported yesterday afternoon as occurring in Caine Road. A boiler for boiling tar took flame in the roadway. The alarm was raised but the outbreak was extinguished by P.W.D. workers who were on the spot.

## Body in the Harbour.

The body of an Indian, in a very decomposed state has been found in the Harbour, the man being about thirty years of age. The cause of death is unknown. Some time ago an Indian policeman reported that his brother was missing, but it has not yet been ascertained whether the body found is that of the man reported missing.

## Fire at Wan Chai.

The police report that a fire broke out at 73, Nullah Lane, Wan Chai, about 9.15 last night and the place was completely gutted. The cause of the fire is unknown. The building is a two-storied one and the ground floor was a carpenter's shop divided into cubicles. The damage to clothing and household effects is estimated at \$165, but the damage to the building is not yet ascertained.

## Transferred to Harbin.

We are informed that Mr. L. G. Schmitte, of the Chinese Maritimes Customs, Kowloon, has been transferred to Harbin. Mr. Schmitte, left Hongkong by the s.s. Anhui, yesterday, when he was seen off by Mr. J. A. Karkatzky and other officials of the Chinese Maritimes Customs. With Mr. Schmitte travelled Mr. J. J. Gorham, another official who has just returned from long leave in Australia.

## Reported Robbery with Violence.

The police report that a robbery with violence occurred in the early hours of this morning at a house in Lower Lascar Row. Three men entered the house, tied up the female inmate, and took some clothing and \$3.05 money. Two men were arrested by two Chinese constables and the money and clothing were recovered. A bundle of silk was also found in the street. One of the men made good his escape.

## THREE MILLIONS WELL SPENT.

Speaking at a meeting at the Hotel Cecil, held to inaugurate a national campaign to advertise advertising, Mr. T. J. Barratt, chairman of "Pears' Soap," said it is commonly supposed that advertising necessarily increases the cost of the advertised article, but his very lengthened and extensive experience proved entirely the contrary. "As a consequence of that expenditure," he said, "the greatly increased output has resulted in enabling us to reduce all our costs of production that our speciality to-day is obtained by the public at over 30 per cent. less than the price charged without that advertising expenditure." Mr. Barratt added: "To-day, after twenty-three years' lapse of time, bringing my total to some three millions spent in advertising, my experience permits me still to endorse this statement."

## PIRACY NEAR HONGKONG.

## AMAZING OUTRAGE ON THE S.S. TAI ON.

TWO MEN SHOT: PASSENGERS WOUNDED;  
VESSEL LOOTED.

The first question our representative put to the lady was whether or not her suspicions were aroused before the affair actually began. She replied it is negative, adding "The robbery commenced directly the passengers' money was collected, which was about 10 o'clock. I was in my cabin at the time. I heard scuffling on the upper deck, but at first I thought it was merely a quarrel between some of the Chinese. Then there were shots and the firing of revolvers, accompanied by cries in Chinese of 'Don't strike.' Then I knew that there was something of a grave character occurring.

## A Shot Through the Window.

"The next thing I remember is that I went to close my cabin window, and a shot was fired through it. Then five men, fully armed, entered my cabin. I said to them, 'I hope you are not going to fire. I have a gold watch and a certain amount of silver you can take that.' This they did. Apart from the above report we have also been informed that a party of police along with Inspector Kerr and Lance-sergeant Wills, of the Water Police are investigating the matter and are taking whatever steps may be required.

A representative of the "Telegraph" in the course of a conversation with a prominent police official was informed that the pirates booked as first class passengers and had the use of the upper deck. The ship had so many passengers that some were placed on the bridge deck. An aversion is shown by wary Chinese towards being searched and it is his opinion that whilst the Chinese passengers are allowed to approach so near the bridge and the officers' quarters, pirates as these will be facilitated. The official was loud in his praise of the lady missionary and said her exhibition of courage and resource under such terrible circumstances could not be over-rated.

## Navy Not Notified.

On enquiry at the Commodore's office, we learn that the naval authorities have not been officially informed of the piracy, and that they are at the moment taking no action in the matter. We were further informed that there are some men-of-war patrolling the West River, as usual, but that these would not likely be in the vicinity of the place where the piracy occurred, as it is only just outside Hongkong waters.

## Government Offers Reward.

We are requested by the police authorities to state officially that the Government is offering a reward of \$2,000 for information which will lead to the arrest or the bringing to justice in the Courts of Hongkong of any person or persons who took part in the piracy.

## Harbour Office Report.

A call at the Harbour Office elicited the fact that an official report of the affair had been made to the Harbour Master. This stated that the steamer left Hongkong with 400 passengers and about 10 o'clock, when four miles S. 21 W. of Lintin Island Peak, about 80 of the men took charge of the boat, overpowered the crew and locked up the Captain and officers as well as a European lady missionary who was on board, were not seriously injured, with beyond being covered with revolvers and prevented from taking any steps to protect the ship. It would appear, however, that for some little time there was a feeling amongst some of the pirates in favour of shooting them, but the wiser counsels of their leader prevailed, and they were in no way harmed.

The Tai On returned to Hongkong yesterday afternoon, after being assisted to get off the sandbank by the steam-launch Shun Hon.

A Government reward of \$2,000 dollars is offered for information leading to the arrest of any of the pirates.

## Police Report.

The official police report which is very brief states—

The s.s. Tai On is of 438 registered tonnage and it is owned by the Kwon On Steamship Company, 240, Des Voeux Road. The steamer, under the command of Captain Holmes, left Hongkong at seven p.m. on the 2nd inst., starting from the Li Kee Wharf with about 400 passengers and a general cargo. There was a European lady passenger on board bound for Kwangtung. Everything went well until a few minutes before ten o'clock and, when the ship had passed a line of fishing stakes about six miles from Lin Tin, a number of the passengers, about fifty in all, armed, took charge of the ship and tied up the Captain and officers as well as a lady missionary, who was the only European passenger on board. They ransacked the vessel and ran her on to Kong Bank about two o'clock in the morning, when they left her taking their boat with them. There were two Chinese killed and a number wounded, the latter being taken to hospital on arriving in Hongkong. Each man among the robbers had at least two revolvers and the attack began at a given signal.

The point at which the trouble began is, we gather, outside Hongkong waters by about four miles, and the bank on which the steamer was piloted by the robbers is about 15 miles further ahead. The actual distance of Hongkong from the place where the attack commenced is twenty-two and a half miles.

## Lady Missionary's Graphic Story.

One of our representatives was fortunate enough to secure an interview with the English lady missionary who was the only European passenger on board the steamer when the affair occurred. This lady had been in Hongkong and was returning to Kwangtung, and, having resided in the East for many years, and knowing the Chinese language well, she was able to intervene when the trouble occurred and to urge the robbers to respect the lives of those on board. This will be seen from the facts which she conveyed to our representative.

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**THE BANK NOTE CASE.**

Sano Cross-examined by  
Mr. Slade.

The bank note case was continued this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, at the Supreme Court. The persons charged are Buijia Furukawa, Shikukshi Itotsuyani, Keiko Nagao, Kiyoto Nishiyama, Fukungo Sano, Ki Kakazawa, and Takao Tanabe, alias Ryuo Tanabe, and they were charged that, on June 20, 1912, and on divers dates up to December 23, they did conspire to obtain and acquire for persons, who would be induced to purchase or accept certain false and forged current money notes, for \$5 each, purporting to be issued by the military government of Kwangtung, representing large sums of money.

Prisoners pleaded not guilty.

The following comprise the special jury:—Messrs. Alexander McKenzie (foreman), Ellis Kadoorie, M. S. Sassoon, E. H. Thiel, W. S. Brown, S. H. Dodwell and T. F. Hough.

Mr. E. H. Sharp C. C., Mr. M. W. Slade K. C., with whom was Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Bowley, of Messrs. Dennis and Bowley, appeared for the prosecution; Mr. C. G. Allard, instructed by Mr. Reader Harris, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, for the first two defendants, and Mr. F. C. Jonkin, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the rest.

**A Genuine Note.**

The sixth prisoner, Sano, who was in the box over night, was cross-examined by Mr. Slade. Witnesses were handed a genuine note.

Mr. Slade:—You will notice that there is a seal on that genuine note.

You may take it from me that it is a genuine note; it has been proved to be genuine. You notice at the side a seal, half on? Yes.

I presume you appreciate that that seal is put half on the note and half on the register of notes which are kept at the Treasury?—I don't know where the other half was put.

Does it not strike you, as a business man, that the object of putting half the chop on the note and the other half impressed somewhere else, is for the purpose of, in future, ascertaining whether that note is a genuine note, because, if it is, it will fit in with the impression on the register?—I think that is so.

Is not that, in any Japanese documents of more than one page, the habit, that the persons, sealing the document, impress the seal partly on one sheet and partly on the other?—Yes.

**Object of the Register.**

So you are quite sure, are you not, that the seal there is put on for the purpose of keeping a register of those notes?—I don't know.

Now then, similarly, can you give any idea of what the object, a number on the note?—I think the other half is kept for reference.

And one number on the note and the other on the other half?

I don't know about the numbers.

Would it be possible out of an issue of one million notes, unless the other half of the seal is numbered in the register, to correspond with the note which is sealed in that position in the register, to find which note corresponds with which seal?—I do not know.

What is that the object of this register unless each individual half of the seal is numbered to correspond with the note bearing the other half?—I have no idea about this. What I have seen is half the seal used on my office is giving out receipts, we keeping the counterpart, and also I have seen it in a pass book.

Witness:—Coming to the date of arrest, said he knew the others were going out to dispose of a quantity of notes in pursuance of the agreement made the previous evening with Pong. He and Nishiyama went with them, the latter leaving the house before he did. Witness went to the Jockey Hotel and met the party on the road with the notes. He said he went with the party to show them the way to the Hop Liang shop. He was asked to do so.

The seventh prisoner, Oawa, said he was approached in connection with this matter on October 27 of last year, by No. 4 by telephone. No. 4 said he had some good business which he

proposed asking him to undertake; he was a printer and was head of the Osawa Printing house. He was introduced to Nishiyama by No. 4, who said the former had contracted with the Chinese Government to print notes. He asked witness to print them, offering him ultimately the price of \$4,000. Of that sum he had been paid Yen 500, by Nishiyama. Furukawa told him the order was from the Chinese Government and that the necessary steps had been taken at the Home Office and with the Metropolitan police at Tokyo. Furukawa asked him to do the work as there would be no trouble. Before he met Furukawa on this business, he did not know him. He came to Hongkong to receive payment for the printing from Nishiyama.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

**THE POLICE AND THE RIVER BOATS.**

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Dear Sir:—The spasmodic allegations against the Police Force upon every occasion that a piracy or an armed robbery occurs, seems hardly fair to body of public servants whom, I think, it should be the Colony's boast to possess. The successful "hold up" of the "Tat On" on Wednesday night is, in part, attributed, in certain quarters, to the alleged inefficiency of the search of the passengers' person and baggage before the steamer's departure from Hongkong. Anyone acquainted with the method of procedure must surely realize that it is humanly impossible for such searches to be thoroughly effective under existing conditions. That the method is capable of improvement admits of no doubt, if only the Police are given a fair chance.

At the present time all sorts and conditions of Chinese passengers are allowed to rush into the steamers up to the very moment the gangway is lowered. At the same time as some with their heavy loads of bundles, boxes and sketches are promiscuously hastening up the gangway from the wharf, not infrequently men and even women have been seen to scramble up the ship's side to gain the deck from sampans. This is done just as the steamer is moving off the wharf and when the police officers have left the boat. It is not at all improbable that in the case of pirates this practice is designedly resorted to so as to divide the party.

Under the circumstance, how can any detection of arms that have been skillfully and surreptitiously stowed away in the last named passengers' luggage be made? With the credit of the lynch eye they are assumed to possess, the Police are admittedly helpless unless and until they are given an opportunity to examine each and every one of the suspects' belongings before departure. And this, I think, is far from being impracticable if a time limit be placed on Chinese deck passengers' time of embarkation.

In the Shipping Companies own interests, and if it be made a statutory requirement so as to prevent infringement of the regulation by rival companies, there should be a rule that no Chinese passengers should be allowed to board any River steamer later than half an hour before the scheduled time of departure.

Exceptions may, however, be made of those who had previously booked their saloon passages but whose luggage must be sent on board not later than a certain specified time. In this way, the Police examination can be made more searching and effective and would-be pirates and cut-throats, such as endanger life and property on the Canton River delta, will have far less chance of escaping Police vigilance in Hongkong.

The final for the Hongkong Football Shield takes place tomorrow between the Royal Engineers and the D.C.L.F. Left Half Bttn. The match takes place on the Hongkong Football Club ground, commencing at 4 o'clock. Mr. A. T. Storrie will be the referee.

After the match the Shield and medals will be presented by Mrs. E. B. Hallifax.

Mohammedan College for Poona. There is a scheme preparing a Mohammedan College at Poona on the lines of the Aligarh College. A Mohammedan has offered donations of ten lakhs if the project matures.

Your Faithfully,

J. P. BRAGA.

**UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.****Regulations for the Entrance Examinations.**

We have received from Mr. W. J. Hinton, registrar of the University of Hongkong, a copy of the regulations for the entrance examinations, particulars of which were forwarded to the school masters last term. The syllabus was drawn up by the University after careful consultation with representatives of the leading schools, and it is believed that it will satisfy the requirements of Hongkong and of China generally, both as an entrance examination, and as a leaving certificate.

A third group (C) has been added to the groups which are necessary to secure entrance here. These will probably be taken in addition to the other subjects, by scholars who do not intend to enter the University, but require a leaving certificate.

We propose, later, to discuss the degree subjects mentioned in the syllabus. We would remark now, in passing, that the Matriculation English examination promises a very satisfactory and searching test—provided the percentage of marks justifying a "pass" be not placed too low, as is sometimes the case in Home examinations. The mathematical test—three books of Euclid with easy deductions, and Algebra up to quadratics—threatens to let candidates off lightly. The average English public school boy of fourteen who could not obtain seventy-five per cent of marks on this class of paper would probably hear something to his disadvantage from his form-master.

We note that the Senior Oxford or Cambridge Local certificate will be accepted in lieu of the Matriculation exam. This seems fair enough, so long as a boy has either passed in Latin or else has gained special distinction in Mathematics. Otherwise his certificate may prove but a poor guarantee of his fitness to proceed on the special Arts, Engineering or Medical course. It is interesting, too, and most satisfactory, to see that the University authorities suggest that the Matriculation would make a good standard for what the Scots Education requirements rightly insist on—a "leaving certificate."

**LOCAL SPORT.****CRICKET.**

The following have been selected to play against R. C. A. at Kowloon on the Saturday. Play is to commence at 2 p.m.:—K. Macaskill, Eng. Lt. Smith, W. E. Dixon, H. S. House, F. J. De Rome, W. T. Elson, J. H. Mead, R. F. Raven, Capt. Wood, C. Brown, W. L. Weiser.

Hongkong "B" v. R. C. A. The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club "B" team against the R. C. A. at Happy Valley on Saturday, 5th April. Play is to begin at 2.15 p.m.:—R. Hancock (Capt.), A. A. Clextion, P. H. Cubb, S. H. Dodwell, E. A. S. Fowler, H. Hancock, A. O. Lang, M. M. Mass, Chief Paymaster Pearson, G. W. Rogers, A. N. Other.

Hongkong Cricket League. The following is the table up to date:—

Club	P. W. D. L. Pts.
Hongkong "B"	13 12 — 1 36
Craigengower	15 9 1 5 28
Civil Service	11 6 2 3 20
Kowloon	13 6 2 5 20
Hongkong "A"	10 5 1 4 16
R. C. A.	8 3 1 4 10
Staff and Dept.	11 2 3 6 9
R. E.	7 1 1 5 4
H. K. Police	10 1 0 1

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**FOOTBALL.**

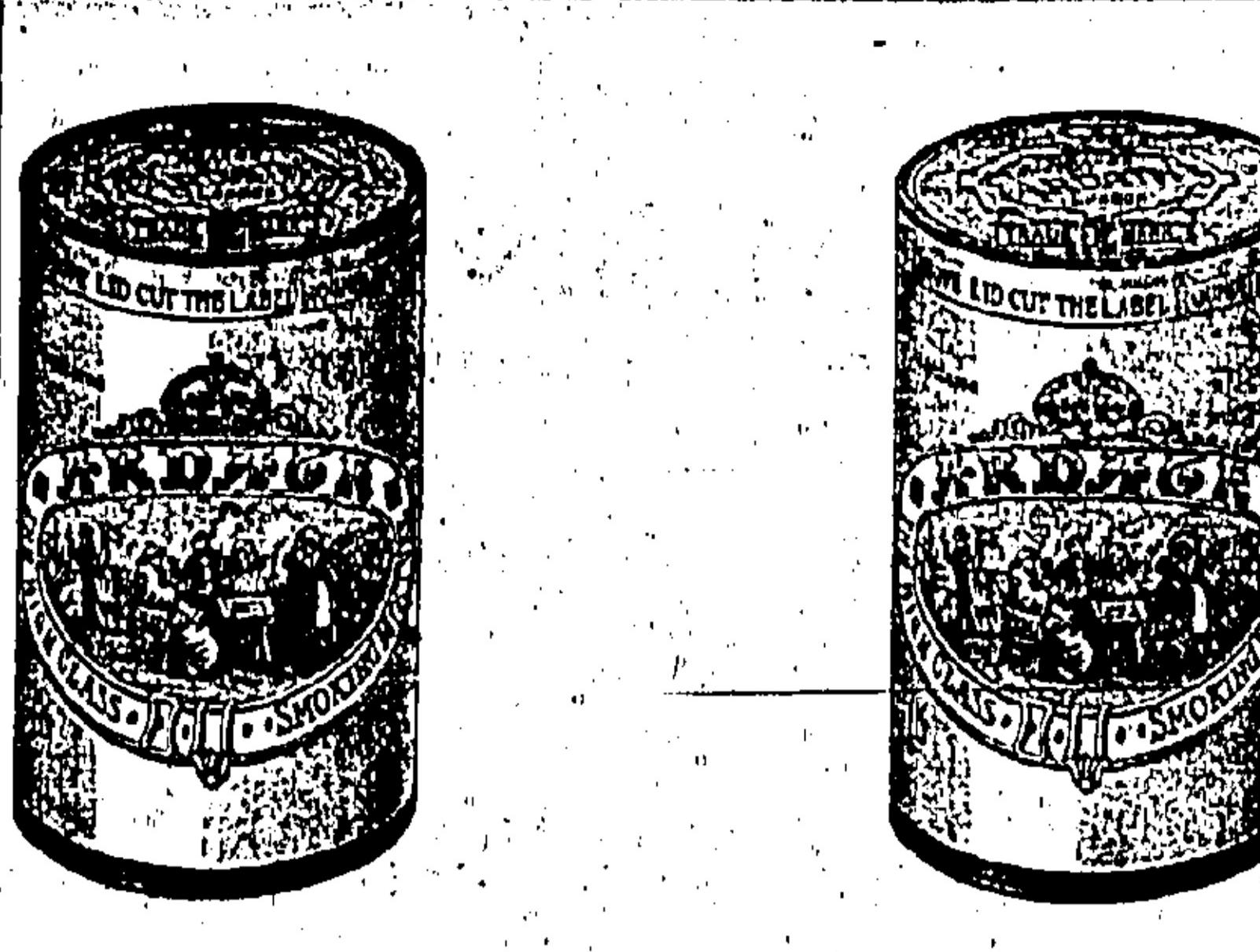
The Shield Final. The final for the Hongkong Football Shield takes place tomorrow between the Royal Engineers and the D.C.L.F. Left Half Bttn. The match takes place on the Hongkong Football Club ground, commencing at 4 o'clock. Mr. A. T. Storrie will be the referee.

After the match the Shield and medals will be presented by Mrs. E. B. Hallifax.

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One remarkable thing about the production of "Autumn Manoeuvres" is that, though it did come originally from Vienna, it has been transmogrified, by Mr. Henry Hamilton and a batch of English composers and lyricists, including Mr. Howard Talbot and Mr. Lionel Monckton, as to turn out more English, than any English Musical Play that has been produced in recent years.

Ambermere Park, the home of the Falconers for many generations has come into the hands of the mortgagees, as the last life tenant was unable to keep up the payments due. Captain Frank Falconer the present heir is in the 12th Hussars and at one time was engaged to the present Tenant in the person of Miss Alix Luttrell whose father made her break off her engagement to Falconer.

Divided into three Acts the piece gives ample scope for lavish scenic display whilst the mounting in general is of a most sumptuous character. From the moment that the gallant 12th Hussars come marching on the stage it is one series of gaily song, dance and laugh a. Captain Withers drill his men must be seen to be well-kept, but with his a fine chap and one that may be relied upon.

**FIRE AT CHEUNG SHAWAN.**

Damage in Boat Building Yard Estimated at \$20,000.

A fire of considerable dimensions broke out about three o'clock yesterday afternoon in the boat building yard at Cheung shawan, and is supposed to have been caused by driving hot rivets into an iron steam-launch. There was a wooden (teak) launch being built at the time in the same shed in which the fire occurred, and it was completely destroyed, nothing but the ashes and the bolts being left. The launch was insured for \$3,000 but the other articles in the shed were not insured and the damage done to them is estimated at \$18,000.

It appears that the wooden launch was on the slipway, practically finished, while the fire originated near by, where riveting was in actual progress on a steel launch under construction.

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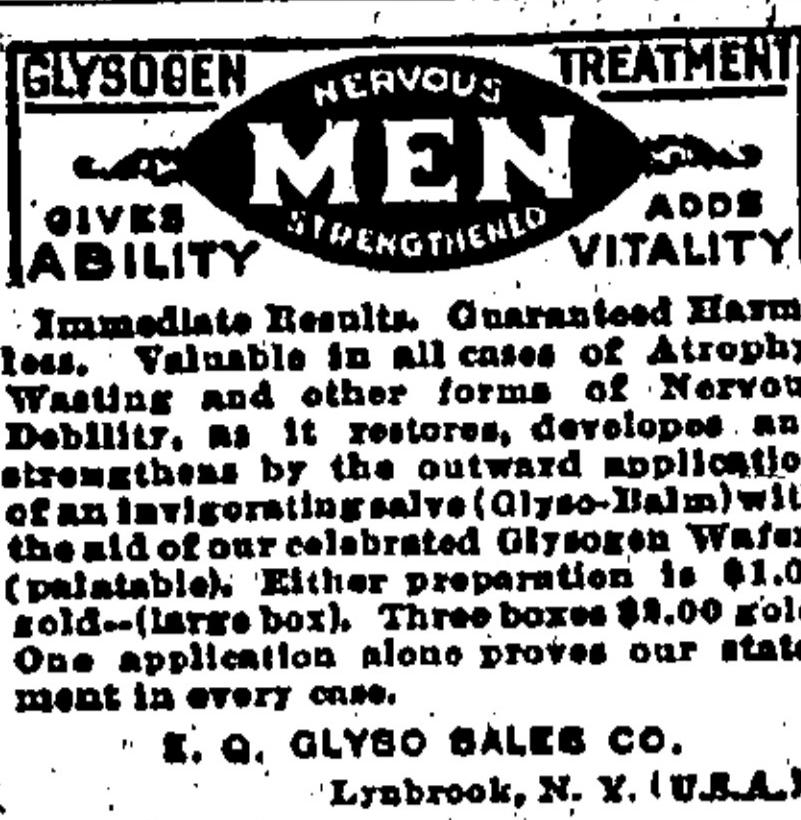
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All claims must be presented within 10 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
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Hongkong 31st Mar. 1913 [266]

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 12th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1913. [273]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"LUETZOW"

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Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 9th of April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th of April, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 15th of April, 1913, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1913. [273]

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## COMMERCIAL.

## London Rubber Market.

The East Asiatic Company's Daily Report for March 27 says:—The market in London yesterday continued weak. Prices are nominal in the absence of support. The closing prices were:—

Hard fine Para spot	3/10/-
Hard fine Para forward	3/10/-
Firer later crepe, delivery next three months	3/10/-

## The Salt Tax.

Owing to the great financial difficulty the Chinese Board of Finance some time ago submitted to the Advisory Council, for consideration the Bills on the increase of the salt price per catty and the examination of the Title Deeds; but on account of the constant insufficiency of attendance to constitute a quorum they have not yet been passed. The Minister has again requested the President to urge the Council to discuss the Bill on the increase of salt price per catty. As the Council will soon be closed, further delay might bring grave consequences.

## Singapore Exchange.

March 28, 1913.

On London—Bank 4 m/s	2/4.3.8
Demand	2/4.3.32
Private 6 m/s	2/4.13.18
3 m/s	2/4.9.16
On Germany—Bank d/d	238.1.2
Private 3 m/s	242.1.2
On France—Bank d/d	291
Private 3 m/s	299
On India—Bank T.T.	174.3.4
Private 30 d/s	178
On Hongkong—Bank d/d	16.5.8
Private 33 d/s	17.5.8
On Shanghai—Bank d/d	80.1.8
Private 33 d/s	90.1.8
On Java—Bank T.T.	140.1.2
Private 30 d/s	142.1.2
On Japan—Bank d/d	114.7.8
Sovereigns—buying rate	\$8.54
India Council Bills last issue	... 1/4
India Council T.T. last issue	... 1/4.1.32
Discount	3ms. 4.3.4
Bank of England rate	5 p.c.
Bank silver in London	26.3.8

The American Banking System. According to Sir Edmund Walker, the Canadian authority on banking, who appeared as a witness before the Currency Reform Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives, the lack of a flexible currency is the most serious fault of the American banking system. Among other defects, Sir Edmund indicated the system of fixed reserves which tended to dissipate the needed cash in times of stress. He considered that American banks were behind the times, and urged that permission should be granted to private bankers to establish large banks in large cities with branches in foreign countries. Sir Edmund was further of the opinion that some system of regional organisation might strengthen individual banks. He was not in favour of the Aldrich plan without qualifications, and said bad banking could not be prevented by the Government guarantee of deposits.

## Singapore Produce.

March 28, 1913

Gambier buyers	... \$7.30
do (Cube No. 1) unpicked	13.00
Copra Sun dried	... 12.75
do Mixed	... 12.50
Pepper Black buyers	... 17.87
do White 5 percent	... 17.87
buyers	... 32.00
Sago Flour Sarawak	... 3.80
do Brunei No. 1	... norm.
Pearl Sago	... 4.80
Coffee Bali	... 34.25
Coffee Palembang 10 per cent. basis	... 33.00
Tapioca, small flakes	... 6.50
do small pearl	... 6.15
do med. pearl	... 6.15
Tin	225 tons 107.57
Opium, China	... 3.100
Straits	... 1.800
Rice, Rangoon White	... 220
Rice, Siam No. 1	... 320
do No. 2	... 200
Petroleum	... 1.200
Devco's Imp. Brilliant Oil (2 tins)	... 3.60
Sylvan Arrow Oil (2 tins)	... 3.25
Fish Brand (2 tins in case at 3.15)	... 3.15
Oil	12 tins at 3.15
Lamp Glass (2 tins in case at 3.15)	... 3.05
Langka's (2 tins in case at 3.05)	... 3.05
Dragon Brand (2 tins at 2.95)	... 2.95
Bulk Oil per drum of 4 gallons	... 2.55
wross Oil (2 tins) at 2.75	... 2.75
Tarpane per tin 4 gallons at 2.00	... 2.00

## Notice.

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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,

Agents issuing the Loan,  
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 31st Mar., 1913.

## Public Auction.

G. S. S. R.  
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 7th of April, 1913, at 3 p.m., at Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency, the Governor of Two Lots of Crown Land on the River East of Happy Valley in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for a further term of 75 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No.	Name	Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Locality	Annual Rent		Upper Price
				N.	S.	
1	Island Lot No. 167	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	100	100	100
2	Island Lot No. 168	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	100	100	100
3	Island Lot No. 169	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	100	100	100
4	Island Lot No. 170	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	On the River East of Happy Valley, bounded on N.E. by the Boundary Line of the adjacent Lots, on N.W. by the River, on S.E. by the River, and on S.W. by the River.	100	100	100

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## BIJOU.

## PROGRAMME. 9.15

## NEWS OF THE DAY (Patre Gazette)

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Sauce for the Goose  
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Those who intend learning the Chinese language are required to write or to Hongkong Telegraph office or direct to 37 Hollywood-road, 1st floor, Hongkong 26th Jan. 1913 [24]

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The Natural History of Coal, E. A. M. Barber

1901, No. 24th January 1913 [47]

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## PIRACY NEAR HONGKONG.

(Continued from page 1).  
were given some kind of protection more than they have at the present time. However, I feel in regard to this terrible affair that what is needed more than anything else is that there should be a much more rigorous inspection of passengers' luggage. I spoke to one of the police officers about it, and he said they had not sufficient men for the work and could not do it.

"I have travelled up and down the coast for over twelve years now," concluded the lady, "but this is the first time I have ever met with an experience of this kind. I must say we were not ill-treated in any way, and the only reason the robbers tied up the officers' hands was to safeguard their own lives and to prevent them from signalling for help."

The lady leaves again to night for Kongmoon by the same steamer.

## No Cargo Removed.

The Steamship Company who own the Tai On had little additional information to impart to our representative when he called this morning. The manager stated that the vessel left Hongkong at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, having on board between 400 and 500 passengers, all Chinese with the exception of a European lady missionary. The steamer carried a general cargo of merchandise and produce. None of the cargo was removed, and the only things belonging to the Company which the robbers took were some parts of the engines, about \$500 in ticket-money, a lifeboat and a few sundries, as well as several deck guns belonging to the steamer. They were chiefly concerned with the passengers' jewellery, money and clothing. It was clear, said the manager, that the whole thing had been pre-arranged, for there were three or four sampans waiting for the robbers when they left the ship in the ship's boat. He added that the steamer again leaves at 7 o'clock to-night for Kongmoon, and it was possible that a number of police would be drafted on board.

## Chief Engineer's Story.

Mr. Macartney, the chief engineer, seen to-day said: "I was in the captain's cabin when the pirates entered and forced the captain to the floor. They ordered me on to the settee, opened my jacket and searched me. They kept two revolvers to my chest meanwhile. They told the skipper he had better clear out of China. They tore off the skipper's ring and took my Masonic ring and a gold chain, and a medal that I won in Scotland for curling. Some of the pirates were in European clothes and others were in Chinese clothes of a superior kind. The trouble started about five minutes to ten and we did not get free again until about two thirty next morning. They put the pilot in the wheel-house and secured the engineers in the engine room, put their own pilot in charge of the ship and took her their own course. Afterwards they destroyed parts of the engine, tore the dynamo up, spoilt the electric switch board, tore out the gauges and left only the brass frames. They also put out the fires. They knew well what they were about."

The death is announced of Mr. R. A. Macauliffe, the translator of the Sikh bible.

"The lady passenger can give you the best story. She it was

on the 4th at 11.00.—The Japanese depression has disappeared.

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Hoihow 6a 29.89 70 — se 4 dh

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